

THE ANGEL CONTENT.
One angel of His holy ones attending,
The soul in peace or pain hath learned to love;
One angel, that from many an overbearing
Descendeth like a dove.
In shadow-time or in the morning glory,
In drought and famine, or in feasting days,
When grief is long and gladness transitory,
She hath her soul of prayer.
Robed not in purple, she no chaplet weareth;
In kindly services her feet are swift;
And in her willing hands no gift she beareth,
Herself a perfect gift.
When friends and foes forget, forsake completely,
And hope, away, homeward flies, high spent,
One from the silence clearly calls and sweetly:
"Love me, I am Content."
—Frank W. Hunt, in S. S. Times.

MRS. BRADSHAW'S DIVORCE.

MR. GARRAWAY stood up as young Mrs. Bradshaw rose from her seat at the dinner table. It had been rather a quiet dinner, and Mrs. Bradshaw had done her best to do so. Ernest Bradshaw closed the door and came back to the table. He cracked a walnut, and, on opening it, threw it into the fire.

"Bad?" inquired Mr. Garraway.
"Yes," said young Mrs. Bradshaw, violently. "Of course it's bad. Worst of it is that you never know until you try."
"But all the nuts are not bad, Bradshaw," Bradshaw grunted. "Anything wrong at Whitehall?"
"No, Whitehall's all right."
Mr. Garraway owed his success as a solicitor mainly to knowing exactly when not to do the wrong thing.

"I want to ask you something, Garraway. Do you ever have people coming to you to draw up deeds of separation?"
"Oh, yes; pretty often."
"Well, would you mind being of some use to me—and to Ellen?"
"Why, certainly. But you don't want to be separated? Why, man alive, you haven't been married a year!"
"Garraway, look here. We have had a row—a dispute, or whatever you like to call it. We have agreed to part."

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"Look here, Bradshaw," Mr. Garraway passed his hand carefully over his smooth, spare hair—"look here. Call at my place at eleven o'clock to-morrow morning and I'll do what is wanted."

"Thank you, Garraway."
"Shall we go upstairs? I must arrange with her."
The demure, precise little clock on the mantelpiece in Mr. Garraway's chambers struck eleven. A small boy entered with a card.
"Thank you, Judd. Show the lady in."

Mr. Gibson withdrew with his work to the outer office, stepping aside at the door to permit a slim, girlish figure to enter.
"I had no chance of speaking to you last night," said Mr. Garraway, "expecting to ask you to call. But I had a brief conversation with Bradshaw, and he assured me that you had quite made up your mind about the matter."

"He is, in this particular instance, quite right," she put her lips together and looked determined.
"And so I am to draw up the deed of separation?"
"If you please."

"It's rather rough on me," went on Mr. Garraway, with an effort at humor. "Why, it seems only yesterday that I was his best man, and you and he went away to Neuchâtel, and we cheered you as you left Victoria station. Do you remember?"
"Would you mind telling me, please, when the document can be drawn?"
"And do you remember your first dinner after your return, and how jolly we all were? Why, you were as comfortable as anything, until a week or so ago."

"What I propose to do," said the stern young lady, with just the suspicion of a catch in her voice, "is to go abroad with my aunt for a year or two, and leave the house as it stands, Ernest to live in. He can get a housekeeper, you see, and—"

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"You think—you think it will work all right, Mr. Garraway?"
"Oh, yes."

"It was our quarrel of last week parted us, and—"
"Well, will you allow me, as an old friend, to give you a little advice?"
"I should advise you to make up this difference of opinion with Ernest. I'm told of course I'm only a bachelor, but I'm told that all your couples have their quarrels to begin with, and they do say—here again I speak of course, as a mere bachelor—that the making-up is always the most delightful part of it."

"Mr. Garraway, I thought you would argue in this way, and it is very good of you. But my mind was made up before I came here, and nothing that you can say will alter it. A woman must judge for herself in these matters."
"It shall be put in hand at once."

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"How extremely fortunate!"
"She is a good manager. She is a widow and she has had charge of a house similar to yours."
"That capital. As I say, I shouldn't like the house to go to rack and ruin. When could this old lady come, do you think?"
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"Oh, but—Mr. Garraway smiled pleasantly, "you are laboring under a slight mistake. Mrs. Bradshaw; the lady is not old."

"Well, as a matter of fact, she is rather young. By the bye, I ought to have her portrait here somewhere."
It had cost Mr. Garraway one shilling, this cabinet photograph, in a shop that morning. The shopman couldn't tell him who it was; she was an exceedingly pretty girl in demure black, and the wily Mr. Garraway was content.

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DOMESTIC CONCERNS.
—Collared Salmon: Split, scale and bone the salmon; season with mace, cloves, pepper and salt; roll up in a cloth; bake it with butter and vinegar. Serve cold.—Harper's Bazar.
—Velvet Cream: Put one-half box gelatin in one quart milk with the yolks of three eggs on the stove; stir until it comes to a soft custard; when cold beat the whites of three eggs to a froth; add six tablespoons of white sugar, one tablespoon of vanilla, and mix all together; put in a mold and let stand till hard.—Housekeeper.
—Tutti Frutti Tarts: Beat a piece of butter the size of an egg to a cream; add to it half a cup of currants, the same quantity of chopped and seeded raisins, quarter of a cup of candied lemon peel or citron, will do chopped fine, three tablespoons of sugar, a tablespoonful of lemon juice and nutmeg, or other spice as preferred. Line deep patty pans with puff paste, fill with the mixture and bake. When cold, cover with icing. Nice for parties.—City and Country.
—Ambushed Asparagus: Cut into half-inch pieces a bunch of asparagus, boil till tender. Have ready the popovers left from breakfast. Cut the popovers in half, scoop out the inside and heat them in the oven, both tops and bottoms. Boil a pint of milk and stir into it three well-beaten eggs. Stir until it is a thick cream, add a spoonful of butter, also salt and pepper. Into this put the asparagus. Do not let it boil. Fill the popovers, put on the top and serve.—Chicago Record.
—Stuffed Beefsteak: Take a steak cut from the round of beef, spread it out. Make a stuffing of a teaspoonful of stale bread crumbs, pounded fine, a teaspoonful of butter, a slice of onion, a teaspoonful of salt, half a teaspoonful of pepper, with a little grated nutmeg. Spread the mixture thickly over the steak and roll it up. Put bits of butter in the bottom of a pan, dredge with flour, put in the steak, pour in a teaspoonful of water, and set in the oven until brown. Garnish with little balls of fried potatoes and serve with brown sauce.—Farm, Field and Fireside.

FASHION ECHOES.
Summer Collettes—Popular Colors—Laces and Ribbons.
Huge collettes of various sorts have to a great extent taken the place of the hot weather capes, but often there is need of some sort of substantial covering for the shoulders. This, this season, is supplied in many cases by a very full frilly cape of silk, crepon or velvet, but the cape does not meet in front, extending only a little beyond the chest, and leaving a space, a beholder of it wonders how it is adjusted. This is accomplished by means of ribbon which passes under the arm and buttons in the center of the shoulders under the cape. The fronts of the cape are turned back, forming reverses and revealing a very handsome lining of rich brocade in white, yellow, old rose, pale pink, mauve or cerise. Some of these collets are no more than twelve inches in length, but they are very full.

Blues that rival the cobalt of a mid-summer sky, pink like the changing tones of the after glow of sunset, greens that resemble the softest of turf and foliage, grays like the morning mists of the ocean, and every conceivable shade of brown—these are the summer colors favored of fashion most frequently seen in union with other tones, friendly or otherwise, black in many cases serving as mediator, this somber dye being brought into requisition even with the daintiest tints and fabrics, its presence imparting character to every class of material, whether diaphanous or substantial.

Lace and black or other dark velvet ribbon or ribbons of some description are considered indispensable additions to the class of dressy gowns, now dictated by fashion. The very newest ribbons have edges of jet or lace. Black silk crepe-lace ribbon is another novel variety largely used to veil trimmings of brilliant color. There are likewise expensive hand-painted and gauze ribbons with fringes or lace edges—in short, never did the ribbon weavers turn out so much variety as the present production of their looms. It now seems almost incredible that not very many years ago the trade of ribbon weavers in this country was almost at a standstill, and the women who were so ruinously slack that a special appeal was made to royalty beseeching them to bestow their patronage on ribbon and thus give an impetus to an almost expiring industry. Previous to this, the bonnets and hats in summer were made of or trimmed with tulle, lace, net, etc.; in winter with Terry velvet, plain velvet, plush, etc., one and all being trimmed chiefly with flowers and feathers. As a trimming for gowns, ribbon was hardly thought of, and at that time it was impossible to suppose anything approaching the present popularity of this material.

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AGRICULTURAL HINTS.

HERE'S A GOOD IDEA.

Let Farmers to Ride Wheels and the Road Question Is Settled.
It is a typical American scene: The harvest time that is now under full headway in most of the states of the union has its spare moments for the thrifty farmer, though it is a very busy season. But even in these spare moments the agriculturist is busy with his thoughts. The roadmaking is over "for now." On one side of this primitive highway great, rough ridges of sod and clay have been plowed out of the bottom of the roadside ditch and scraped up to make the road. The farmer's cattle often coming home that way know better than to walk in these heaps while the other side of the road is smooth. So does the country swain riding home from meeting or country-side dance with his best girl. So does everybody. How, then, are those rough ways to be made plain?

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IMPROVED RATINGS.

Result of Valuable Experiments at the Massachusetts Station.

The American Dairyman summarizes experiments of the Massachusetts station in regard to dairy ratings. It says that the ration fed by many Massachusetts farmers as given by the report consists of 4.50 pounds of wheat bran, the same quantity of corn meal, four pounds corn stover and 43.50 pounds corn ensilage. The nutritive ratio of such a ration is 1.10 and its cost 14.99 cents, while 3.84 cents is accorded to it as its material value, making the net cost 9.15 cents. The total milk yield of six cows for 14 days on this ration was 756.51 quarts, at a total cost of 1.66 cents per quart, while the net cost per quart was 1.02 cents.

The amount of butter fat in this quantity of milk was 67.31 pounds and its cost per pound was 18.67 cents. The ration recommended by the station to take the place of the one just noted, which it may be stated contains only 1.30 pounds of digestible protein, consists of three pounds of wheat bran, three pounds of Buffalo gluten feed, three pounds of cottonseed meal, four pounds corn stover and 42.75 pounds ensilage. This ration contains 2.60 pounds of digestible protein, and its nutritive ratio is 1.48. Its total cost is 15.93 cents, which is reduced to 7.46 cents as the net cost, because it gives a richer manure, and this is credited at 8.47 cents. In the returns of six cows fed this ration for 14 days, they are credited with 837.56 quarts of milk at a gross cost of 1.67 cents per quart, and the net cost of 0.79 cents per quart. The quantity of butter fat obtained from the milk in this instance was 83.17 pounds, at a cost of 16.30 cents per pound. The point about this experiment is that the same cows were used in both trials for corresponding periods of time, and it is within the limits of reasonable conjecture that the result of the second ration would have been greater if some part of it was not diverted to repair the physical waste due to the poor nourishment present in the first ration. Some of the things gained in using the second ration was an increase of 81 quarts of milk over the quantity obtainable by the first one and the aggregate cheese was brought at a less cost. Again, the increase of butter fat with the better ration is 14.80 pounds and the cost of production is decreased 2.37 cents per pound as contrasted with the same item in the account of the first ration. Another point that should not be overlooked is that the ration that furnished the best returns actually cost less to feed. In other words, decreased cost of production furnished a richer ration that produced a larger yield of milk, that was of higher quality.

FOR FEEDING CALVES.
A Contrivance That Saves Considerable Time as Well as Feed.
A trough fastened into a pen is not desirable for feeding calves, as it cannot be as thoroughly scalded out as it should be. Moreover, pouring milk into any receptacle in a pen in which the calf is kept is a hazardous business, the operation usually resulting in spilled milk. An arrangement with a feeding pail is shown in the illustration. The back board is hinged to the front of the pen on the side marked A. The pail can thus be set into the holder on the outside of the pen and the holder swung a quarter of the way round and hooked, thus bringing the pail inside the pen. When removed a button keeps the calf from getting his

head out through the opening. Such a contrivance can easily be made by anyone handy with tools and will be found a considerable saving of time as well as feed.—American Agriculturist.

A Word About Straining Milk.
Straining should begin before commencing to milk, by brushing off all the dirt, hair, straw